

Subject: March 20th Presidents Report

Last month was the first meeting that we had a quorum, since September, which I very much appreciated I hope that we can keep the momentum going. Without your presence it is almost impossible for the Commission to operate as it should. The Board of Supervisors created the Commission to collect information to assist them in making decisions that concern the disability community. Without the presence of a quorum Emma or Roy cannot forward any information to the Board because of the lack of minutes. So I hope that you will make a concerted effort to get here each month and to remain until we adjourn.

Dr. Lauggeson has kept in touch with me this past month and was very appreciative for the ability to come and speak to the Commission on behalf of the PEERS Program at UCLA. I hope that Dr. Rivera and Dr. Lauggeson will remain in touch and something will result out of her presentation last month.

As usual I attended Commissioner Neal's Events Committee meeting last week and I want Commissioner Neal to know that I was very impressed with her online live chat with Teri Littlejohn, which I am sure she will discuss in her report.

My Wife is working as a hospice nurse and months ago she came into contact with a place in downtown Los Angeles owned by Biblical Ministries Worldwide. This is an apartment complex strictly for the Blind and Deaf or hard-of-hearing community, once we have a contact person lined up. I would very much like to have them put on the agenda as an informational item. I know that there is an association between the manager and probably several of my co-workers at LA Trade Tech College some 20 years ago, so it's a program that's been around for some time.

Last but not least, I would like to thank Ms. Yvonne Price and Mr. Luis Burns for agreeing to postpone their reports last month because of our extra-long agenda. We are looking forward to your reports today.